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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

SHANNON WATSON,  
#1050378

Plaintiff,

vs.

HOWARD SKOLNIK, *et al.*,

Defendants.

3:10-cv-00723-ECR-VPC

**ORDER**

On November 19, 2010, the court received a handwritten document from plaintiff styled "motion for permission to proceed *in forma pauperis*" (docket #1-1), accompanied by an "affidavit of indigence" as well as a handwritten civil rights complaint (docket #1-1). Neither documents are on the court-approved forms, and as such, are insufficient to initiate a civil rights action in this court. The Local Rules require plaintiffs appearing *pro se*, such as this plaintiff, to file all of their complaints and petitions on the court's approved forms. LSR 2-1("[a] civil rights complaint filed by a person who is not represented by counsel shall be on the form provided by this court."). Plaintiff will be given thirty (30) days to submit a completed civil rights complaint on the court's form and an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, on the court's form and accompanied by the requisite financial information.

1           **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** that plaintiff's "motion for permission to proceed *in*  
2 *forma pauperis*" (docket #1) is **DENIED**.

3           **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk shall retain the complaint (docket #1-1),  
4 unfiled, at this time.

5           **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk **SHALL SEND** to plaintiff the approved  
6 forms for filing a civil rights lawsuits under 42 U.S.C. §1983 and an Application to Proceed *In Forma*  
7 *Pauperis* by a prisoner, as well as the document "Information and Instructions for Filing a Motion to  
8 Proceed *In Forma Pauperis*." Within **thirty (30)** days from the date of entry of this order, plaintiff  
9 **SHALL FILE** a completed and signed complaint along with the application to proceed *in forma*  
10 *pauperis* on the form provided by this court, as well as all requisite financial information. Plaintiff's  
11 failure to do so may result in the immediate dismissal of the entire action.

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13           DATED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2011.

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15           Valerie P. Parker  
16           UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
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